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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

pplicant: Johnson, et al.

Art Unit: 2856

Serial No.: 10/750,417

Examiner: Jacques M. Saint-Surin

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For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR

DETECTING CRACKS IN WELDS

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TRANSMITTAL

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Amendment After Final Office Action (37 C.F.R. § 1.116), (11 pgs.), in response to Office Action dated April 5, 2006, and made final Transmittal Form (3 pgs.), in duplicate Return Post Card

STATUS

2. Applicant

claims small entity status.

is other than a small entity.

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EXTENSION OF TERM

3.	The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1 apply. (complete (a) or (b), as applicable)										
	(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R (Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months che										
		Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)							
		first month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00							
		second month	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00							
		third month	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 510.00							
		fourth month	\$1,590.00	\$ 795.00							
		fifth month	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00							
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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.											
(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)											
An extension of months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.											
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	OR										
	- co	Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.									

FEE FOR CLAIMS

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Applicant respectfully requests consideration and entry of the following amendment submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 5, 2006, and made final.